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not at all to be  
blamed for it

This day (the 3<sup>rd</sup> of July) there is to be a great  
repeal demonstration in Downy Brook near Dublin.  
 O'Connell will be there & a large multitude - perhaps hundreds  
 of thousands. The Temperance Bands are being away now  
 as they march there. This movement has no moral  
 dignity to attract the attention of the Philanthropist,  
 the Patriot or the Christian. It is natural enough & from  
 the course of the last two years history, almost inevitable  
 but this is nothing high souled or heart warming to him  
 who would look on the world as his home & all men as  
 brethren. Our rulers are corrupt, proud, overbearing,  
 and our people as far as I can judge them have  
 been so badly taught that if they had the power  
 they would be no better. I take no part in  
 politics - and in theory I talk no more of a  
 repeal or a radical than anything else -  
 but what good comes of more politics & more  
 politicians? They have nothing to do with principle  
 whatever.

